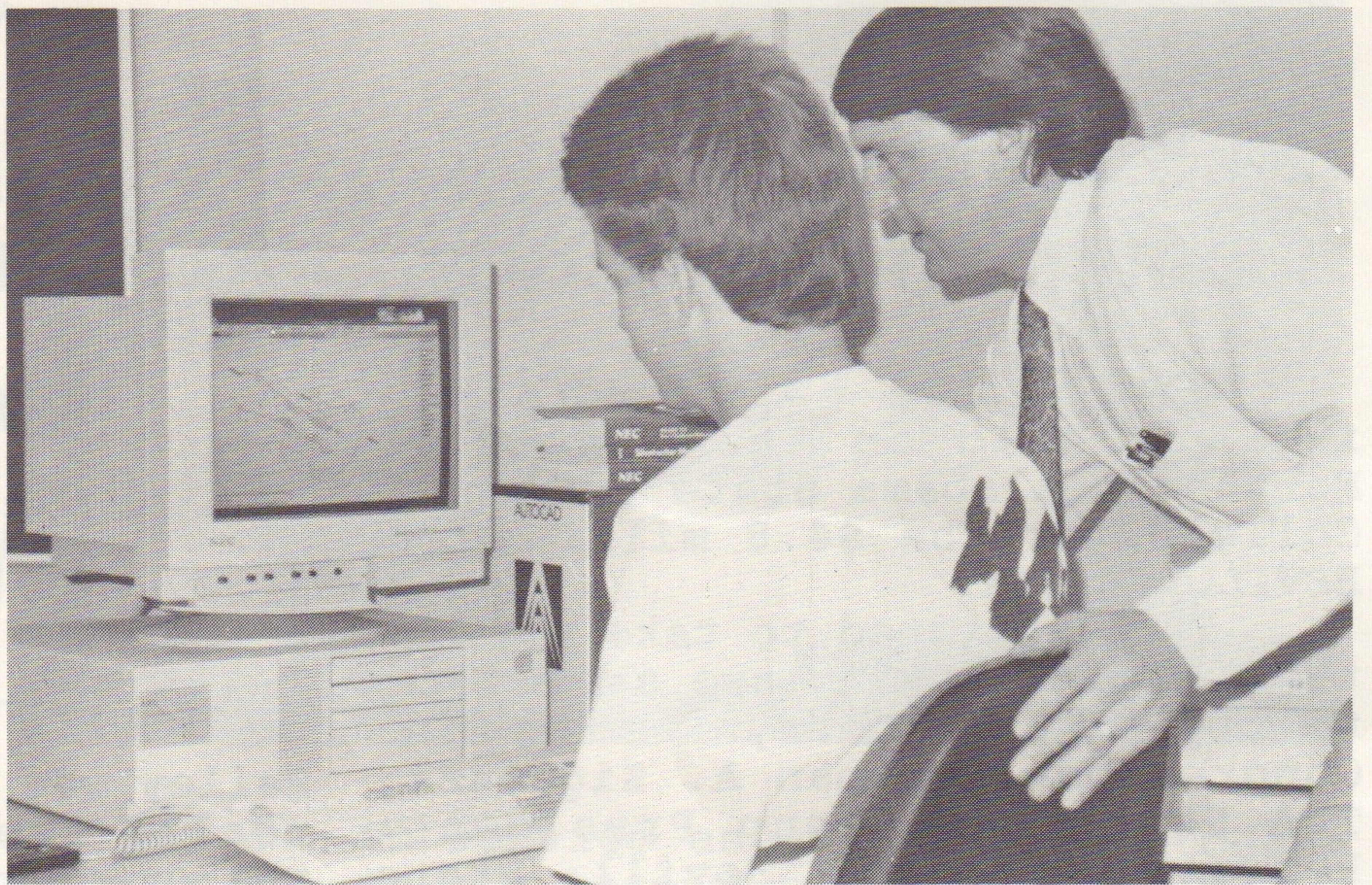


Jeff Davis engineering project starts

BREWTON -- Jefferson Davis Community College has been selected as one of 48 two-year institutions to join the Southern Coalition for Modern Engineering Design Graphics.

The project, which is sponsored by the National Science Foundation (NSF), is designed to help two-year institutions implement state-of-the-art Engineering Design Graphics programs through modernized courses and computer-assisted drafting (CAD) laboratories. The program provides opportunities for groups of faculty to learn about new techniques and new developments in their fields. Engineering Design Graphics is a discipline basic to all engineering and engineering technology programs, and is one of the most common courses that students transfer from a two-year college to a four-year engineering school.



Due to recent developments in computer graphics hardware and software, Engineering Design Graphics has undergone dramatic changes. The new methodology, which partly replaces traditional Engineering Design Graphics has undergone dramatic changes. The new methodology, which partly replaces

traditional Engineering Design Graphics, is based on 3-D geometric modeling and its close connection with the modern design process. One of the objectives of the program is to bring two-year programs closer to those taught at a majority of the four-year

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Chard

Dean's Association and the Alabama College Association. She chaired several state-wide committees to assist in developing policies and mission statements for the Alabama College System. She has been active in community programs, including serving as chair of the Tourism Committee for the chamber

of commerce.

Chard is a member and treasurer of the Phenix City Rotary Club. She is a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Phenix City.

Owen said the vacancy left by Chard's departure will remain unfilled until a new president is named to the college.

\$4.8 million Bevill Center now underway

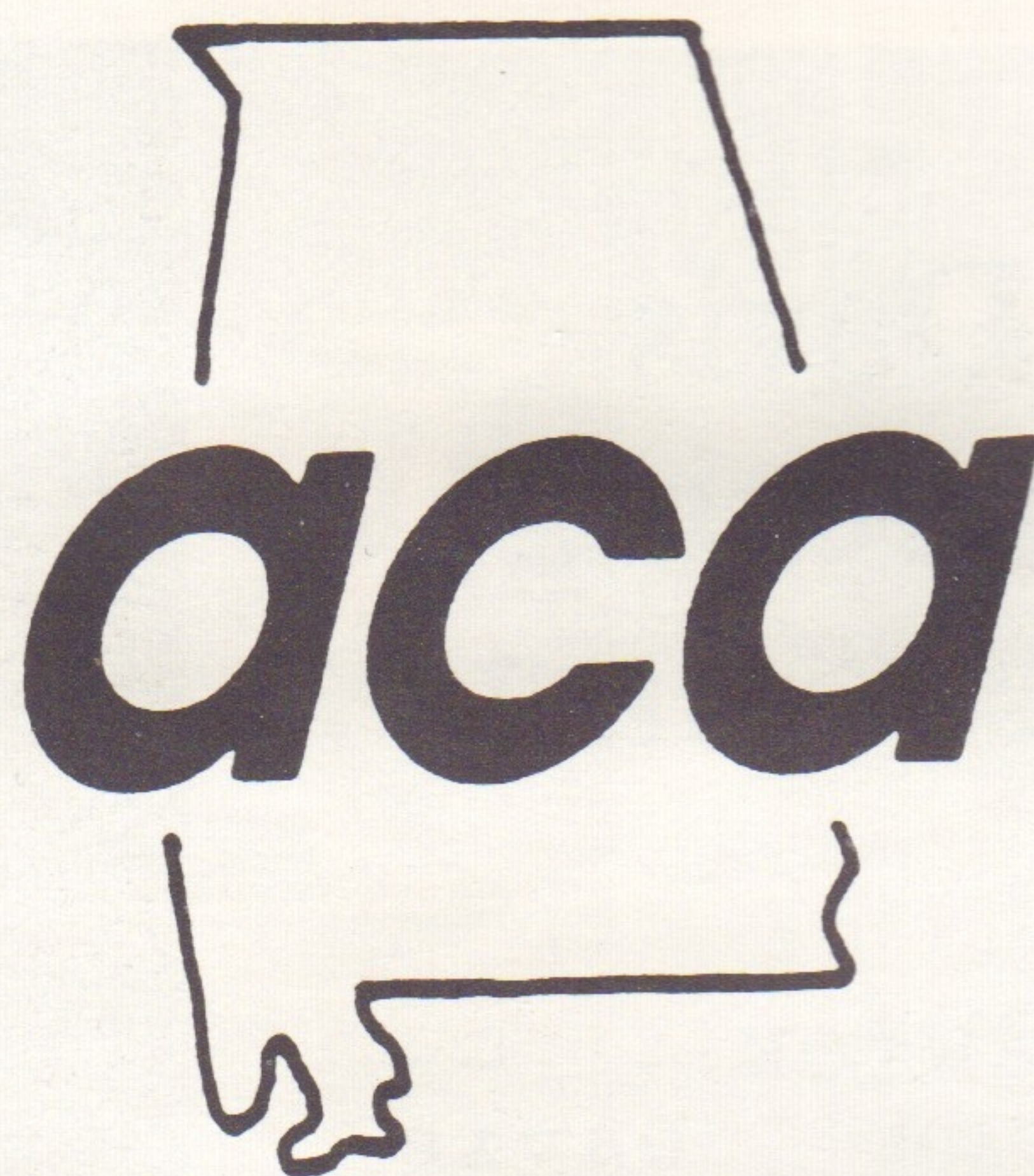
RAINSVILLE -- A ground breaking was held on the campus of Northeast Alabama State Community College for the \$4.8 million TOM BEVILL LYCEUM.

Those invited to take part in the ground breaking are shown left to right: Bob Jones, former U.S. Congressman; Norman A. Zigrossi, TVA Resources Group President; Representative Tom Bevill; State Senator Lowell Barron; Probate Judge Paul Thomas, Chairman of the Northeast Advisory Board; and Dr. Charles Pendley, President of Northeast College.

Bevill, Barron and TVA Board of Directors Chairman Marvin Runyon were all instrumental in obtaining the funding for the project.

Runyon was scheduled to attend the ground breaking ceremony, but his appointment to the position of U.S. Postmaster General circumvented his appearance. Zigrossi relayed Runyon's regrets and spoke on behalf of TVA.

Construction on this facility will begin soon.



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Bailey was also essential. He was really the driving force behind the program," Stanfield said.

The consideration of beginning a Physical Therapist Assistant program began approximately 10 years ago. Over the years, progress came about gradually.

The first PTA class, which graduated 26 students in June, began in 1990. These graduates will be eligible to take their state board license exams in July, Wilson said.

The second class of PTA students will finish this September and be eligible to take the exam in November. A total of 40 students are currently enrolled in the Physical Therapist Assistant program and will graduate with an Associate in Applied Science Degree in Physical Therapist Assistant.

Wilson said now is an excellent time to go into health care related fields. The U.S. Department of Labor projects that the demand for health care professionals will double in the next 10 years.

"A majority of our students have already committed to jobs after graduation," she said. "Most of these students will probably stay within the North Alabama area."

"The job market is wide open for Physical Therapist Assistants."

Building named for CVCC Coach Douglas Key



PHENIX CITY -- At its May 14 meeting the Alabama State Board of Education designated the Health and Physical Education Building on the campus of Chattahoochee Valley State Community College as the Douglas Key Health and Physical Education Building. The board did so in recognition and appreciation of his service, dedication and commitment to the college.

Douglas Key has served Chattahoochee Valley State Community College as Athletic Director, Coach and Physical Education Instructor since the college's inception in 1973.

His career-long commitment to public education includes 28 years

of service as a teacher and coach at the secondary and postsecondary levels.

He has posted an impressive record of over 400 wins during his career, including state championships in 1985 and 1992 and has made admirable showings in National Junior College Athletic Tournament competition. He has provided exemplary service to Chattahoochee Valley State Community College, demonstrating the highest degree of commitment. Dr. James Owen, president of Chattahoochee requested that Coach Key be honored in a special way for his outstanding service.

Gadsden environmental program earns honors

GADSDEN -- The Summer Environmental Institute at Gadsden State Community College has been selected to receive a Certificate of Environmental Achievement from Renew America, a national environmental organization based in Washington, D.C., it was announced.

GSCC's Summer Environmental Institute was chosen by leaders of the nation's environmental community for its success in protecting the environment, while serving as a model which can be replicated

around the country.

In its third year, GSCC's Summer Environmental Institute offers a three-week commuter program for accelerated high school juniors interested in environmental science. The general concern of the Institute is the measurement and management of toxic waste in the environment -- soil, air and water, both fresh and sea.

The Institute is designed to acquaint participants with careers

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Sparks State receives federally funded grants

EUFAULA -- Dr. Linda C. Young, president of Sparks State Technical College, has announced that the U.S. Department of Education has recently awarded Sparks Tech two major multi-year grants, Title III and Upward Bound. "A lot of hard work has gone into developing these grant proposals," Young said, "and it has really paid off. We have received five major federal grants in the past three years, two Title IIIs, Cooperative Education, Student Support Services, and Upward Bound.

"These grants are very competitive," Young continued. "The competition for federal funds is so stiff that the proposals must be virtually perfect. Only 71 Title III grants were awarded nationwide to two-year and four-year colleges, and only those proposals scoring 97 or above (out of a possible 100 points) received awards among the hundreds of proposals submitted. Sparks' score was 99.5."

"At the risk of appearing sexist, I

call Title III the 'Granddaddy of grants' It's the hardest to get, and we've been extremely fortunate to receive two back-to-back three-year Title III awards and other federal grants which will total approximately \$2.5 million," Mackie H. Jordan, Sparks' director of Development, said.

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Effectiveness really boils down to accountability," Young said. "More and more, the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, our accrediting agency, as well as taxpayers, want to know if we're doing what we're supposed to be doing and producing graduates who can succeed in the

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engineering schools that have modernized their programs, so as to facilitate transferring or course credits to a four-year institution.

The primary vehicle to achieve the goals of this project will be through the formation of a coalition composed of two hub four-year institutions, the University of Texas at Austin and Georgia Institute of Technology, and a larger number of two-year institutions in the Gulf and South-Atlantic states.

JDCC Design and Drafting instructor Bob Welling will attend a week long seminar and workshop

at the Georgia Institute of Technology in Atlanta in August as part of the training phase of this program.

"The opportunity to participate in the NSF sponsored program is instrumental to JDCC in developing the Design and Drafting curriculum in conjunction with its leading-edge technological lab," says Welling. "To be endorsed by these highly recognized universities will enable us to establish the program in its early stages of development is an outstanding two-year level program through the Southeast."



McAlpine

with ninety semester hours completed. He holds two Master of Science degrees: one in Counseling from Jacksonville State University and another in Educational Administration from the University of Alabama. He received his undergraduate degree in Agriculture Education/General Science from Alabama A & M University.

McAlpine takes an active role in the community and the state's educational system. He serves on the Board of Directors of the JOBS Program in Marshall county; hosts numerous educational seminars; and performs as soloist for civic, academic, and religious functions.

He is married to Dr. Helen McAlpine, assistant superintendent of General Services with the Huntsville City Schools. His daughter, Carla, is an upcoming senior at Huntsville High School.

Enterprise gets \$100,000 check

ENTERPRISE -- Enterprise State Junior College president, Dr. Joseph Talmadge, accepts a \$100,000 Endowment Challenge Grant check from newly elected Enterprise State Junior College Foundation President Dale

Marsh. The check represents the government's match of the \$100,000 raised in the ESJC Foundation's 21st Century Campaign. The endowment funds academic scholarships to help promising are students attend ESJC.

Bishops employees give \$41,000

MOBILE -- Bishop State's faculty and staff annual giving for 1992 garnered 142 participants and

\$41,375 in annual pledges, it was reported by Emma Gray who heads up the Office of Alumni Affairs.

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Success starts at JDCC

BREWTON -- Jefferson Davis' Community College has implemented Success Centers on the Atmore and Brewton campuses in an effort to provide remedial instruction to adults.

Day and evening classes provide computer-assisted instruction, self-paced instructional materials, and traditional classroom instruction to assist students in preparing for the GED exam.

"Individuals utilize the Center for a variety of reasons," Sherry Martin, director of the Brewton campus Success Center, said. "Because they are spending a lot of time studying and only achieving passing grades, they are just out of high school and are not sure how to handle the course content or instructor's style, or they do not have a high school diploma and are working toward their GED."

Martin said that by providing tutoring and individualized instruction, the Center is able to retain students who might otherwise drop a class or receive a poor grade. The Success Center will help potential students prepare individuals for the GED exam.

The college, through the donations of a private benefactor, is able to administer the GED exam

free of charge on a weekly basis on a rotation basis between both of its campuses. Approximately 200 adults took the exam this past year through the colleges special program.

"To encourage adults who earn their GED certificate to further their education, the college offers scholarships on a competitive basis to individuals who score 50 or above on the exam," Martin said.

The Brewton Area Adult Reading Council and JDCC have joined together to provide basic reading and writing instruction to adults with little or no reading ability, Martin said.

After volunteer tutors are trained by the Success Center staff, they arrange tutoring sessions for those seeking assistance and establish an individualized plan to help each learner meet his or her goals. Since 1990, 20 tutors have been trained by the staff and have provided over 1,000 hours of instruction.

Marian English, director of the Atmore campus Success Center, said the programs, seminars, classes, and tutoring sessions offered by the Centers are designed to enhance the skills of successful students as well as provide developmental assistance.

"At Jefferson Davis, we are committed to providing academic assistance to our students," English said.

"Our fundamental goal is to allow a student to become a stronger and more independent learner," English said. "It is our mission to improve the retention, and consequently, the graduation rates of JDCC students."

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instructional units to meet the competencies required in the aviation industry workplace:

2) Conducted three Boeing 727 familiarization courses, seven DC-9 familiarization courses, an advanced sheet metal course, and two avionics familiarization courses on the campus at AATC;

3) Hosted seven two-day field trips for over 200 students and faculty to aviation industries in Atlanta;

4) Donated JT8D jet engine components of an estimated value in excess of \$60,000;

5) Provided special tools and equipment to be used in AATC classrooms on a loan basis;

6) Participated in eight Career Expos on the college campus;

7) Conducted a tour and orientation for faculty from Carroll High School with which AATC is involved in a TECH PREP consortium; and

8) Provided management and technical personnel to conduct on-site employment interview programs for AATC students.

Northwest will continue to make similar contribu-

tions during the coming year, Devine said.

Ethel L. Schultz, section head for Teacher Enhancement with the National Science Foundation; Dr. Sandra H. Flowers,

director of Institutional and Student Development; Eva K. Sasser, counselor director of the Career Development Program; and Pat Wall, Special Projects coordinator, attended the event.

Provin joins exchange program

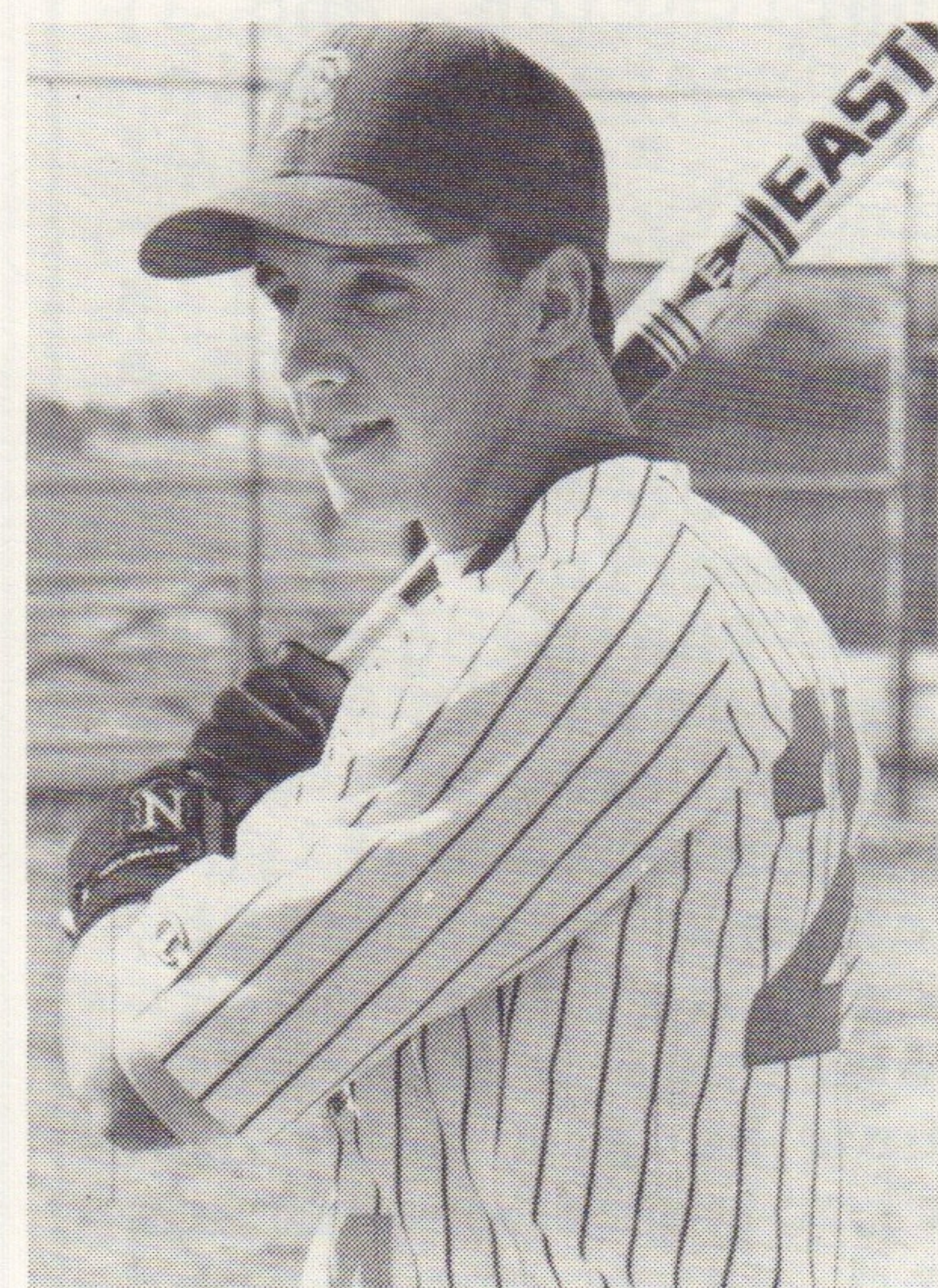
DECATUR -- Bill Provin, English and theater instructor at Calhoun, has been selected to participate in the Fulbright Exchange Teacher from Abroad program for the 1992-93 academic year. He will be teaching English in Sheffield, England.

The exchange instructor coming to Calhoun from Great Britain will be Mr. Raymond Leslie Bell from Parson Cross College in Sheffield.

Mr. Bell will be teaching English composition, literature, and drama classes at Calhoun.

Collier is NJCAA All-American

ENTERPRISE -- David Collier of Ozark, Alabama was selected to represent Enterprise State Junior College on the National Junior Collegiate Athletic Association Division I All-American Baseball Team. He is the first first-team All-American in ESJC's 27 year history. Collier, with a .487 batting average, is the teams designated hitter. He has signed to play with



the University of South Alabama next fall.

Lawson aims for minority incentive

BIRMINGHAM -- Lawson State Community College has been awarded a grant to establish a Minority Science Incentive Program.

The program, funded by the United States National Security Agency, is designed to increase minority participation in the math, science, and engineering professions.

The program's goals are: 1) to enable participants to complete a quarter of study at Lawson State, 2) to graduate from high school and enroll in a postsecondary institution, and 3) to create and maintain a pool of minority professionals with skills required to pursue a career in math, science, and/or engineering.

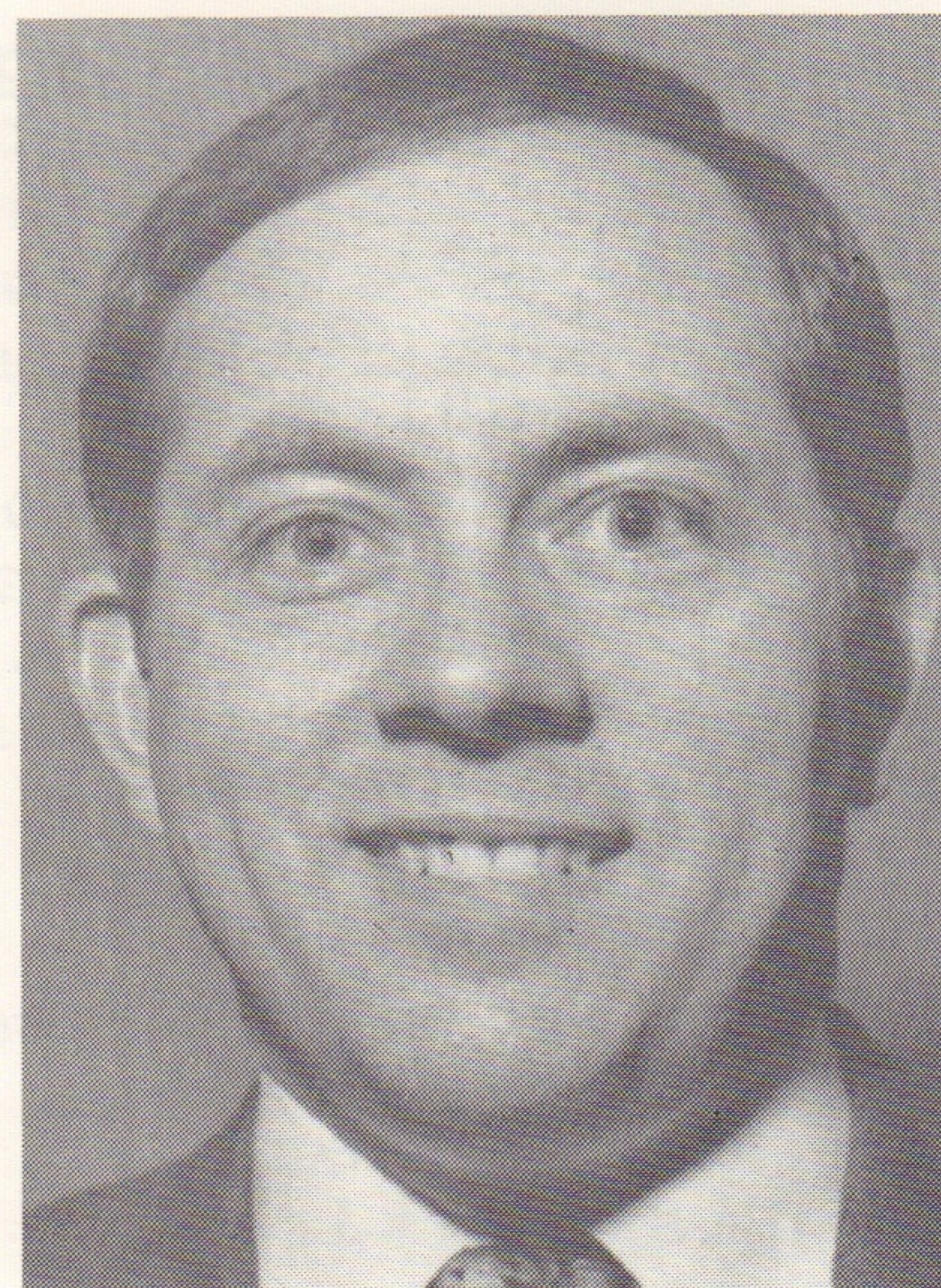
The program is open to 25 high school seniors with a keen interest in a career in math, science, or engineering. Students must have a 3.0 high school grade average and have completed three years of high school science and math.

Carpenter is Calhoun prexy

DECATUR -- Dr. Richard G. Carpenter, formerly president of Evergreen Valley College in San Jose, California, officially began his tenure as president of Calhoun Community College on July 1.

Carpenter has eight years of experience as a community college president. In addition to holding the presidency as Evergreen Valley College, he served as president of Anoka Ramsey Community College in Minneapolis, Minn., and as president of Somerset Community College in Somerset, Ky. where he also served as vice president for academic affairs. In addition, Carpenter has over 10 years of experience as an instructor at the secondary and post-secondary levels in Louisiana, North Carolina, and California.

A native of Louisiana, Carpenter received his associate's degree from Southwest Community College in Summit, Miss.; his bachelor's and master's degrees from Northwestern



University in Natchitoches, La. and his doctorate in community college leadership from North Carolina State University.

As a member of the International Executive Committee of the European Business Institute, Carpenter has formed partnerships with worldwide corporations and European officials and universities that are expected to produce millions of dollars in revenue for Evergreen Valley College.

His leadership has been recognized with many honors and awards, including the U.S. Department of Education's National Economic Development Partnership Award and the U.S. Community College President's Medallion of Excellence.

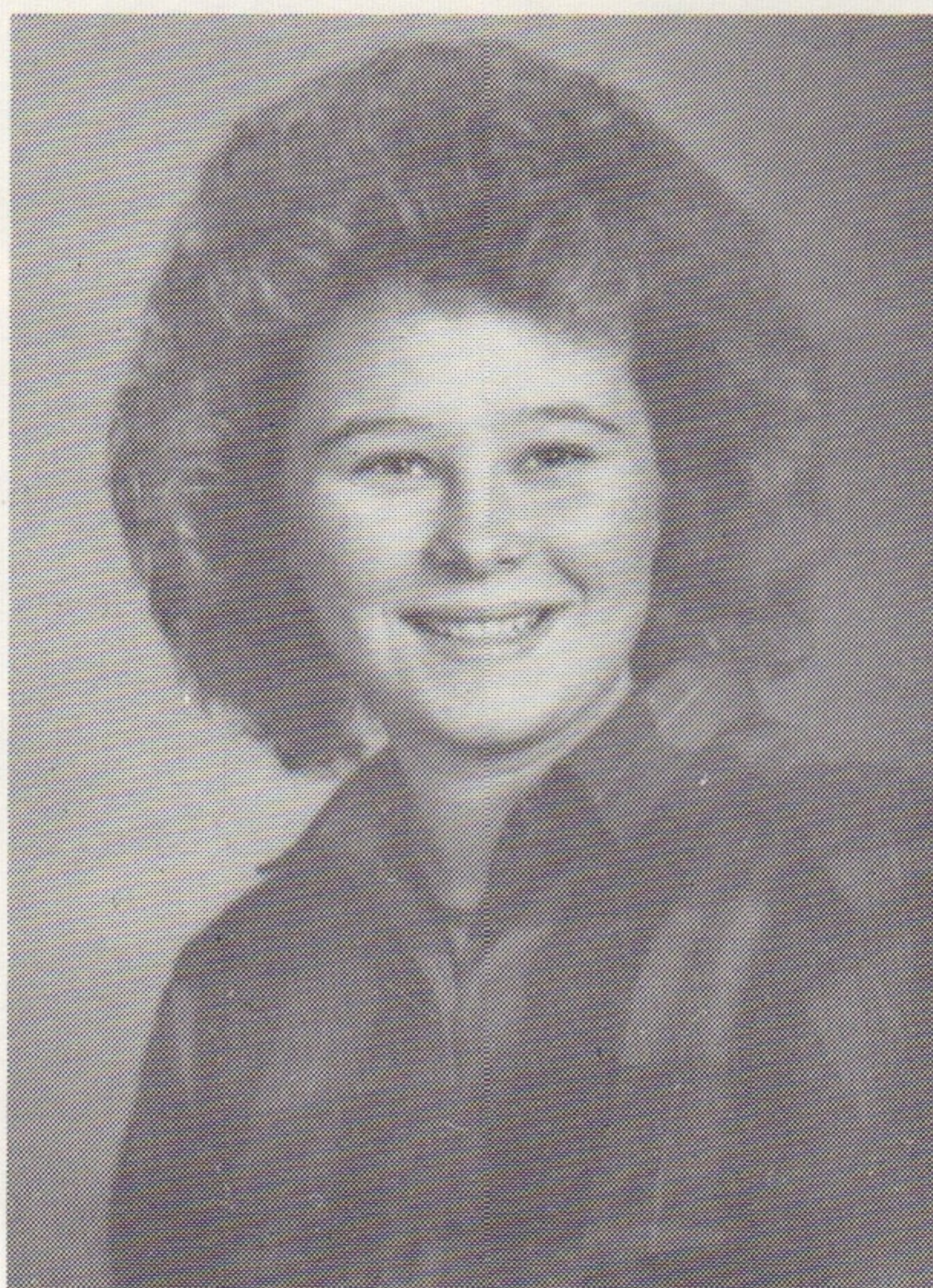
Drafter wins 2nd in Skill Olys

HANCEVILLE -- Latonya Leeth, a drafting and design student at Wallace State College-Hanceville, placed second in the nation at the 1992 United States Skill Olympics.

She competed in the Machine Drafting Contest which took place in Louisville. Latonya competed against 40 other contestants from all over the United States and Canada.

Latonya earned a place on the State Vocational Industrial Clubs of American Skills Olympic Team (VICA) by winning her local contest at Wallace State, then winning the state competition against contestants from all of the junior colleges in Alabama. The competition was held earlier this year in Montgomery.

The purpose of the United States Skill Olympics is to see how the contestant and the school program rank across the nation. Dewayne Hollaway (Latonya's Machine Drafting Instructor) said, "We have won the state often, but Latonya is the first student I have had to place this high



in national competition. She is very focused on her studies and has worked extra hard studying subjects like: geometric dimensioning and tolerancing, descriptive geometry, welding, machining processes, the design process, basic metallurgy, and the correct way to apply all the above to information using American National Standards on Engineering Drawings.

Latonya had two years experience at A.P. Brewer Area and Vocational School under Jim Tilley.

"This training was the building block for me and I appreciate all of his encouraging words and help."

Flowers picked for leadership

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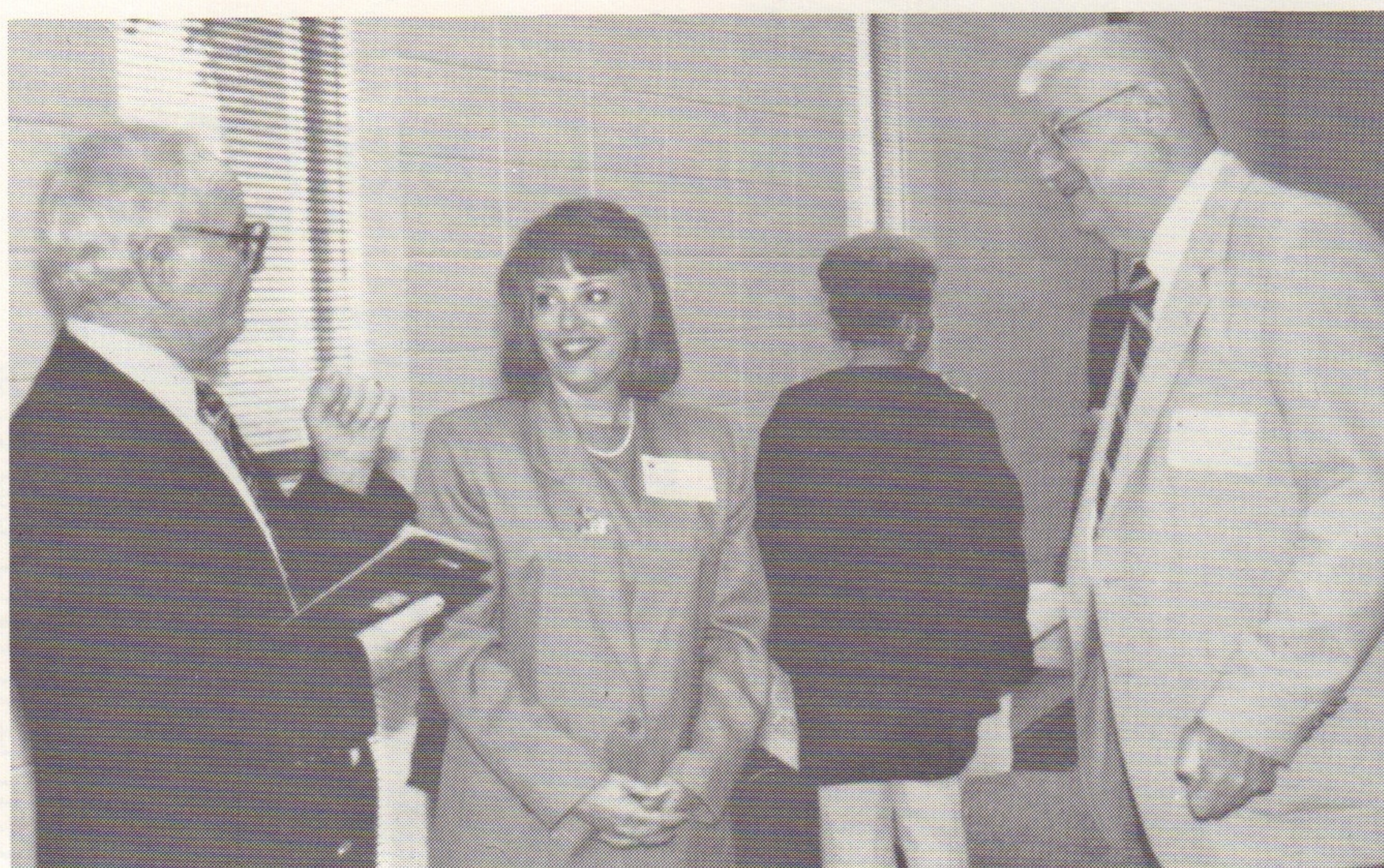
Sandra Horne Flowers, director of Institutional and Student Development at Alabama Aviation & Technical College, has been selected as one of only 35 community college leaders to attend the prestigious Executive Leadership Institute sponsored by the League for Innovation in the Community College in cooperation with the University of Texas at Austin and the University of California at Berkeley.

A five member national panel selected the 35 participants from a pool of over 100 applicants holding senior-level positions or leadership in community colleges.

Norm Neilsen, President of the League for Innovation and faculty member for the institute said, "The review panel was extremely impressed with the quality of the applicants, which speaks well for the future vitality of the community college."

E'prise salutes literacy gains

ENTERPRISE -- In 1985 Enterprise State Junior College added literacy tutoring to its adult education program. Dr. Mary Bauer, dean of Continuing Education, recalls, "We began with a very small group of volunteers, and our program has grown every year. In the past year, however, we have expanded our services more than ever before." Volunteers and supporters of the ESJC literacy effort were honored at a reception held recently at the college. "This year 57 volunteer tutors



Ervin Redfield (left) shares his experience as a volunteer tutor with Susan Steck, ESJC counselor and coordinator of the college's literacy program, and Cliff Holden, volunteer tutor. Redfield volunteered over 500 hours during the past year helping others learn to read.

worked with 86 adult learners -- an increase of 21 learners from last year. The number of volunteer hours reported increased from 645 in 1991 to 2,713 in 1992,"

Bauer said.

Generous contributions have been received this year from community college organizations. These include the Enterprise Rotary Club and ESJC's Phi Theta Kappa. During the past year, we have also expanded our partnership with are businesses and industries to increase work force literacy." Recognized at the ceremony for their efforts in this area were representatives of Dorsey Trailers, Sessions Company, Alabama Power and Enterprise State.

Enterprise State offers free, video-aided training to anyone interested in learning to tutor adult non-readers.

Snead graduates record number

BOAZ -- Snead State Community College boasts a record number of graduates. During the 1991-1992 academic year, 173 associates degrees were awarded -- of which 123 were received the Spring Quarter, 1992. The degrees awarded were as follows: Three Associate in Arts, 114 Associate in Science and 56 Associate in Applied Science.

Total enrollment also reached record heights. President William H. Osborn announced a total enrollment of 1769 students for the Fall Quarter, 1992. The following quarters also surpassed normal enrollment figures. Evening, weekend and off campus classes are available for those students who are unavailable to attend regular day classes.

Jeff State Child Dev Center accredited

BIRMINGHAM -- Jefferson State's Child Development Center was recently granted accreditation by the National Academy of Early

Childhood Programs. The Academy is a division of the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) headquar-

tered in Washington, D.C.

The accreditation process is designed to provide real and lasting improvements in the quality of the programs serving young children and to evaluate the program in accordance with the criteria for high quality programs. "Because our Child Development Center is a training facility, we felt our program needed to meet the highest standards of quality in teaching excellence. These are exemplified by the Academy's standards," Joan Burns, director of the center, said.

The Child Development Center conducted a self-study to provide an opportunity for the entire staff of the Center and the parents they serve to examine the Center's strengths and weaknesses. Upon completion of the self-study, an on-site evaluation visit was performed on May 7 by the Academy.



Osborn named All-American

BOAZ -- Mr. George Killian, executive director of the National Junior College Athletic Association, presented Vicky Osborn with the Distinguished Academic All-American Award at the 1992 Alabama Hall of Fame Banquet this past May in Alexander City.

To be considered for this honor, an athlete in

the junior college system must have an overall grade point average of 3.80 or higher. Only two other people in the state received this citation.

Osborn is currently enrolled in Business Administration at Snead State Community College. She has represented the college in both singles and doubles competition.

Record enrollment in 1992 for Reid State

EVERGREEN -- Reid State Technical College has experienced the largest enrollment increase in its 26 year history. Preliminary enrollment figures indicated a 44 percent increase in 1992 summer quarter

enrollment over 1991 figures.

Dr. Ullysses McBride, Reid State president, comments, "The continual record enrollment is a testimony to the quality of programs available to RSTC students. Our capable and caring

faculty strive to ensure each student receives the necessary skills to perform quality job performance."

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workplace. Our Institutional Effectiveness program will identify both the college's strengths and weaknesses and help us improve in all areas.

"Our new Upward Bound grant will focus on support services for area high school students. Sparks will provide academic training, cultural enrichment activities, and other learning experiences to approximately 50 student, preparing them for postsecondary education -- not only at Sparks, but also at any other two-year or four-year college. We believe both Upward Bound and Title III will ultimately make a real contribution to economic development throughout Sparks' service-area community, providing a highly skilled and technically proficient work force for the future."



Wallace radiographer honored

DOTHAN -- Bates Gilmore, director of the Radiographic Medical Technology program at Wallace College, accepts congratulations from Dr. Imogene Mixson, academic dean. Gilmore, formerly of Hartford, was recently elected vice president of the Alabama Society of Radiographic Medical

Technologists.

In addition, the three-year-old program which he administers has been granted full accreditation and every member of the first graduating class received certification the first time they took the national registry examination.

Calhoun gets Title III grant from Dept. of Ed

DECATUR -- The United States Department of Education has officially notified Calhoun Community College of its selection to receive a Title III Strengthening Developing Institutions grant, to begin this fall.

Clement Howton, assistant director of development at Calhoun, said the grant stipulates that the college will receive an award of \$500,000 beginning October of this year for the first year of a five-year grant.

"Following the first year, the college will apply for continuation each of the remaining years. This means that the grant has a potential of \$2.5 million over the five year period, contingent upon funding availability and annual approval by the Department of Education," Howton said.

The Title III grant will be used initially to support three primary activities as identified in the college's grant proposal. These activities involve the follow-

ing:

1. Improving "Critical Needs" academic programs through curriculum design and equipment acquisition;

2. Improving Instruction through video interactive teaching and learning; and

3. Acquisition of equipment for Strengthening administrative management.

Specifically, the activities will involve selected instructional areas of the college receiving insufficient fiscal resources due to continued funding deficits from the state. The goal of the grant is to enhance and strengthen academic quality in the specified areas to meet the changing needs of students and industry. Based on funding continuation of the grant, a fourth activity will be added in the fourth year of the funding cycle.

Calhoun president Richard Carpenter said the college is "extremely pleased at being selected to receive such a significant

award from the U.S. Department of Education. Because of continued shortages in state allocations, it has become imperative that the college investigate other funding alternatives, and the Title III grant award is indeed a step in the right direction."

According to officials with the Department of Education, Calhoun's award was one of the largest given this year by the department. David Simpson, the department's congressional liaison, said that there were more than 700 proposals submitted this year, and only 73 requests were funded.

The last time Calhoun received a Title III grant was in 1982, when the institution received a 48 month Strengthening Developing Institutions Grant. Supplementary funding was granted for an additional year.

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in waste management, academic preparation and research relevant to the environment. Participants engage in lab research and field-trip exercises, listen to experts in the field and observe sites where technological waste management is employed. Follow-up activities include quarterly meetings with participants, mentors and staff to discuss assigned projects. Individual projects are presented at local, regional and state science fairs.

Dr. John Simpson announced Edie Boyd will direct this summer's Institute. He said the program provides an exchange between students and community leaders which helps them to understand that they can make a difference in environmental problems.

"We are pleased to honor Gadsden State's Summer Environmental Institute, Tina Hobson, execu-

tive director for Renew America, said. "This program sets a positive example that can help other communities meet similar environmental challenges." The certificate is endorsed by the National Environmental Awards Council, representing 28 leading environmental organizations.

The Institute will be listed in Renew America's 1992 Environmental Success Index, the most comprehensive guide to the nation's environmental programs. Updated annually with over 1600 entries, the Index serves as a unique directory to our country's environmental solutions.

Renew America is a nonprofit organization committed to restoring our nation's communities through environmental action. Renew America's aim is to recognize and promote successful projects around the country that conserve, nurture and improve the environment.

Pearson a Sox

MOBILE -- The Chicago White Sox selected 18-year-old freshman Eddie Pearson of Bishop State Community College with the 24th pick in the first round of the amateur free agent draft in June.

Pearson, 6-3, 225 pounds, batted .326 as a switch hitter with nine home runs and 21 RBIs. Pearson was rated 12th among the Top 100 Prospects by Baseball America.

Lawson awards scholarships

BIRMINGHAM -- Lawson State Community College has awarded full tuition, two year scholarships to six outstanding minority high school graduates of the class of 1992. The purpose of the Minority Science Scholarship Program is to help supplement the number of minorities pursuing careers in science, engineering, or computer science.

Scholarship recipients will participate in a summer program at Alabama A & M University in Hunts-

ville. In the program, students will earn first quarter credits and complete internship at the Marshall Space Flight Center or one of its major contractors, such as Boeing Aerospace Company or Intergrasp, Inc.

The recipients are Bernadette Greene, Tamara Martin, Julian Hendrix, and Derrick Johnson, all from Fairfield High School; Kimberly Nixon from Minor High School and Toni Bean from Parker High School.

Wallace Dothan starts Engineering Tech track

DOTHAN -- A new program in Engineering Technology will start this Fall at Wallace College, Dr. Larry Beaty, president, announced today. It will lead to an Associate in Applied Science Degree. The three major areas of concentration will be Civil (building science), Industrial Maintenance, and Mechanical Technology.

"We are training supervisors, not just laborers," said Bob Frank Williams, industrial coordinator.

Engineering Technicians use principles and theories of engineering along with manipulative skills to solve problems in manufacturing, construction and customer service. Their jobs are more practically oriented than those of the engineers and management they often assist in supervision and organization.

Other typical jobs for technicians may be to prepare specifications,

devise and run tests which assure product quality, study ways to improve efficiency, develop maintenance plans or supervise production workers making sure they follow correct procedures.

"These are not single-skill employees," Williams said. "In past years, an air-conditioner worker, for example, worked only with air-conditioning. But today he may need to work with many other systems. Our Engineering Technology program will include many general education courses because these people will be expected to evolve with changing technology."

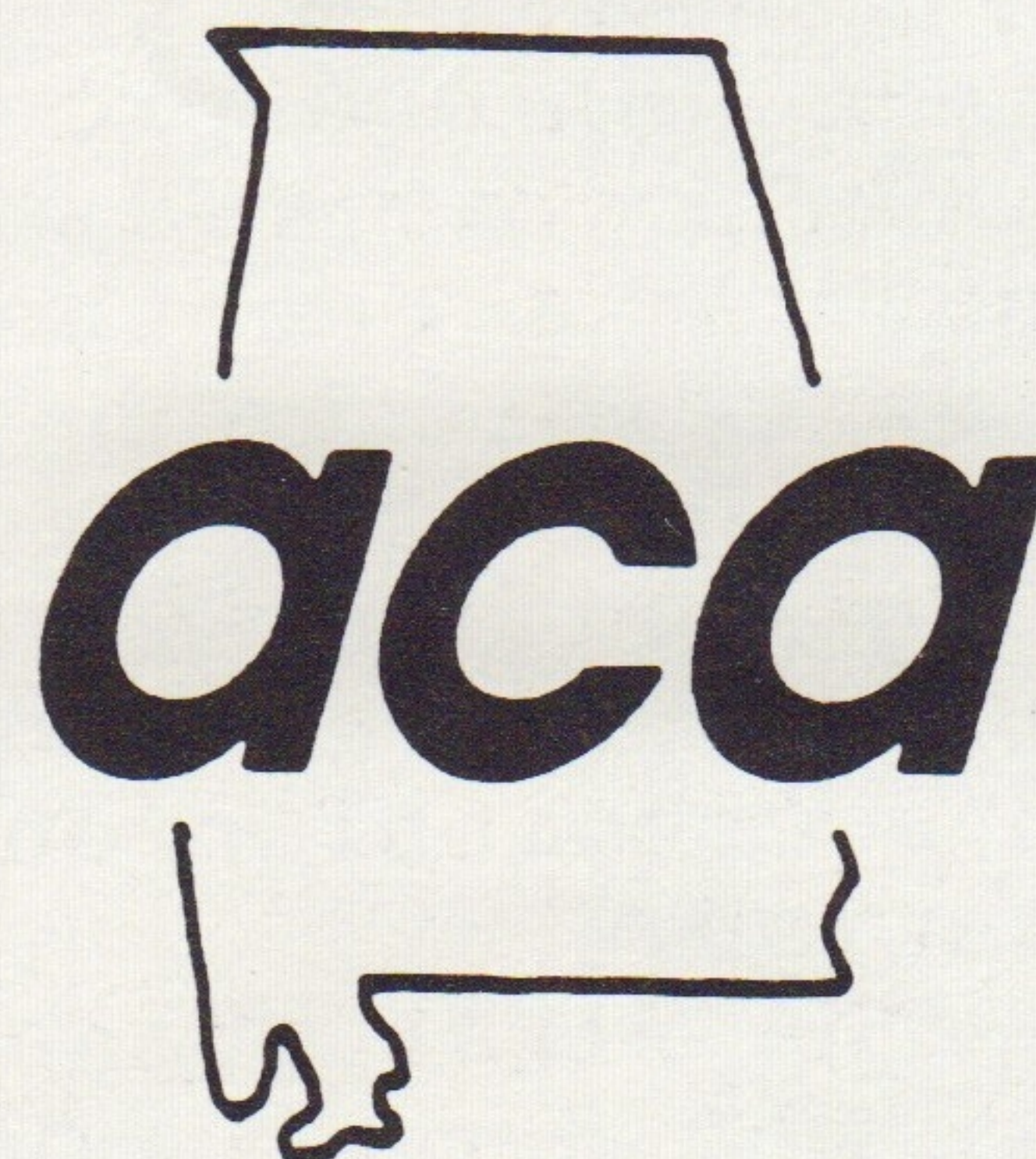
They will be the ones to bridge the gap between engineers and production line workers, Williams continued. "They will take engineering subjects to give them an engineer's understanding and to enable them to communicate between engineers and production people."

Technical Dean Johnny Joyner anticipates that some of these

students will already be employed and the program will offer self-improvement for them while creating a pool of workers with the skills which industry leaders say are most needed.

Day classes will begin with the Fall Quarter which starts Sept. 14. Night classes may be added if there is a demand to serve people who already hold daytime jobs.

the Engineering Technology program will lead to good jobs for people with less than a four-year college degree. "We are training people for employment, not just in certain skills," Williams concluded. "This is the kind of person industry tells us they want."



Wallace Dothan RMT program said a success

DOTHAN -- Success has come swift and sweet to the three-year-old Radiography Medical Technology program at Wallace College. In recent weeks, directors of the program have seen the rewards begin for their hard work and high standards of excellence as:

1. The program achieved full accreditation in record time;

2. The entire first class of graduates earned certification on their first try;

3. The Student Bowl team won the highest honor at the recent state convention;

4. One of the students, Pam Jordan of Enterprise, was named Outstanding Alabama Student of the Year;

5. The program director, Bates Gilmore, was elected vice president of the Alabama Society of Radiographic Medical Technologists;

6. Another student, Anna Matusiak of Headland, was interviewed by a national professional journal for an article about her film project on the history of radiography.

"We are so very proud of this group of young professionals and of their faculty for the hard work and dedication they have shown ever since the program started on the Wallace College campus in 1989," said Dr. Larry Beaty, Wallace College president.

Full accreditation for the program was granted by the Joint Review Committee on Education and Radiologic Technology, at its spring meeting. This is a branch of the American Medical Association's Commission on Allied Health Education.

The first class of 15 graduates, who completed their studies last summer, passed their certification examinations on the first

attempt. The tests were administered nationwide by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists. The Wallace College graduates took their exams in Mobile and Birmingham and one, in North Carolina.

"For 100 per cent of our first class of 15 graduates to pass this exam on their first try is an extraordinary accomplishment and I congratulate each one of them," said Mr. Gilmore.

Members of the Student Bowl team, which won top honors at the state convention in Gulf Shores, included Sharon Tolleson of Dothan; Pam Jordan of Enterprise; Chad Higginbotham of Skipperville; Lisa Holcomb of Elba; and Anna Matusiak of Headland.

As the top individual scorer, Ms. Jordan was declared "MVP of the Student Bowl" and won the coveted title of Outstanding Student Technologist of Alabama for 1992.

The Wallace College students competed with eight of the 12 Rad Tech programs in the state. It was only their second year to enter the competition and they became the fifth school ever to win the trophy. Their faculty coach for the event was Joey Caffee.

"Wallace College is so proud of these young professional and of the excellent work they are doing," Dr. Beaty said. "We congratulate them and the faculty members who have worked tirelessly and with so much dedication to set an example for them and help them achieve this standard of excellence."

Anna Matusiak, a member of the Student Bowl team, also ranked fourth in the state on her film exhibit of a project on radiography.